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THE WORLD AT LARGE.

Summary of the Daily News.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

At the Interior Department it is thought that 20,000 Indians will be entitled to vote at the next Presidential election and that the act of recent legislation. Politicians consider them a very uncertain factor.

The United States Supreme Court assembled for the October term on the 14th. It is proposed to erect a permanent reviewing stand while marble opposite the White House for future celebrations in Washington.

Three of the keepers of lifeboat stations who distinguished themselves on the Atlantic during recent storms have been complimented and had their salaries raised to \$200, the highest limit.

It is widely believed in Washington that President Harrison will recommend to Congress a revision of the tariff.

The Commissioner of Patents has decided that abandoned applications for patents are not public property and can not be examined by patent attorneys.

The President has signified his intention to be present at the laying of the corner stone of the new Catholic University at Brookings Station.

The International Maritime conference met at Washington on the 16th. The delegates were cordially welcomed by Secretary Blaine.

Washington is beginning to boom its World's Fair project.

The marine conference at Washington is devoted to the discussion of technical matters.

The death of General John F. Hartranft makes a vacancy in the Cherokee Commission, and someone more can be done now toward securing the Cherokee Strip in the Indian Territory for settlement until the vacancy is filled.

The President has appointed Richard E. Sloan, of Arizona, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

The Attorney-General has decided that the appointment of J. M. Taylor, of Illinois, in the railway mail service on April 29 was legal, even though Taylor did not take office until some time after the civil service rules were put into effect.

The Attorney-General holds that the appointments are legal from dates when made, and not when the appointees are sworn in.

Lieutenant Schriener, in command of the Yosemite, has presented his report of the result of the recent trial of the vessel to Secretary Tracy. There was nothing in it different from the full reports of the trial already published.

Secretary Windom has announced that he will retain the old rules governing the importation of Mexican silver-lead ores.

THE EAST.

Diphtheria is ravaging Gallatin, Pa. The former order remanding Keener, the Buffalo wire murderer, to the prison at Auburn, N. Y., for execution by electricity has been filed.

In case of an adverse decision in the New York State Supreme Court the sugar and other trusts will probably apply for receivers and take the matter to the courts.

The American Forestry Congress met in convention at Philadelphia on the 15th. The Association base-ball pennant fell to Brooklyn.

H. B. Schenck & Co., importers of dry goods, N. Y., have failed. Liabilities, \$80,000.

The New York Board of Education has decided against permitting the teaching of typewriting in the public evening schools. The vote was 12 to 10.

The opposing commissioners gave as a reason that it would put too many young ladies in the typewriting business.

The victims of the mysterious poisoning at Morgan's boarding house, Woodbury, N. J., were all in a fair way of recovery. The oyster soup was being analyzed to determine the nature of the poison.

A Boston dispatch says the entire plant of the Bush Electric Company has been sold to the Thomson-Houston Electric Company for a cash consideration of \$2,200,000.

G. B. Squires, of Brooklyn, N. Y., special agent of the General Land-office, has been dismissed. Squires was formerly private secretary to Pension Commissioner Tanner.

The United States man-of-war Pensacola has sailed from the Brooklyn navy yard for Angola, Africa. She carried twenty scientific men on a general exploring expedition, the main object of which is an observation of an eclipse of the sun.

The Loyal Legion met at Philadelphia on the 16th, when ex-President Hayes was re-elected Commander-in-Chief.

General Hartranft, ex-Governor of Pennsylvania, died at New York on the 17th from a combination of kidney troubles.

The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions in session in New York elected officers as follows: President, R. S. Storrs; D. D., vice-president, E. W. Lathrop; recording secretary, Henry A. Stimson; assistant recording secretary, E. N. Packard; treasurer, Langdon S. Ward.

Ex-Mayor Lewis of New Haven, Conn., proposed at a World's Fair feature to recognize the 40th anniversary of the discovery of America, by lighting great bonfires simultaneously on the hillsides all over the country.

One man was killed and three fatally injured by the fall of a huge building at the new water works at Bethlehem, Pa., recently.

Amos J. Cummings, the well-known correspondent and member of the editorial staff of the New York Sun, has been nominated by Tammany for the vacant seat in the Ninth district caused by the death of "Sunset" Cox.

The Atlas line steamship Athos, which has reached New York after a terrible voyage, reports that Hippolyte, of Haiti, was lately preparing to form a corporation, thus avoiding the legal penalties to which he was liable in New York.

THE WEST.

LESTER GREEN, a prominent citizen of Bloomington, Ill., has died of the cholera. His corpse was killed and three injured by an accident on the Mount Auburn inclined railway at Cincinnati on the 15th. The machinery refused to act and a car was precipitated to the bottom and shattered to fragments.

Mr. L. L. Latta has been nominated by the Republicans to succeed the late Mr. Laird, Congressman from the Second Nebraska district.

It is understood that the Iowa Indians are willing to take their lands on the Missouri. The Indian Commission will shortly visit the Kickapoo and the Sac and Fox, other tribes in the Indian Territory, to induce them to accede to the terms of the act.

The Republican caucus at Pierre, S. D., selected Frank Pettigrew, of Sioux Falls, and Judge C. C. Moody, of Deadwood, for United States Senators.

Indianapolis and Cleveland have declared in favor of Chicago for the World's Fair.

RECEIVER DYER, of the Mormon Church property, has asked the Utah Supreme Court to give him a fee of \$500 a month for caring for property worth \$1,000,000.

An infant of a woman named Mary Roup last morning of time at Mountain Lake, Minn., and met a horrible death.

Eleven persons were under arrest at Ashland, Wis., for taking part in the Curtis-Kimmick prize-fight.

By a collision between a car left on the track at Heath, Ind., and a freight train the morning of the 15th, several persons were injured.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers met at Denver, Col., on the 16th.

The reported railroad collision in Colorado between Burlington and Union Pacific passenger trains was found to be false.

WILLIAM DRAPER and John Olsen were hanged at Placerville, Cal., on the 16th for the murder of John Lowell on his ranch March 1888. John Myers was hanged last November for the same crime, his two accomplices escaping for a time by taking an appeal.

The State of Kansas has been awarded a gold medal for the best agricultural report also a silver medal for its labor report. "Honorable mention" was awarded to the Conway Springs and Douglas Sugar Companies.

The accident on the Mount Auburn inclined plane at Cincinnati was caused by a defective brake which got wedged in the cut-off valve.

ELBERT E. KIMBALL, United States District Attorney, died at Kansas City, Mo., on the 16th of congestive chills.

The Mission creek country in Minnesota was ravaged by fire. Much lumber was destroyed.

CAMDEN, O., was badly damaged by fire on the 16th.

The factory and stock of the Pine Dore & Lumber Company of Grant's Pass, Ore., was destroyed by fire the other night. The loss, \$50,000.

At the meeting of the railway brakemen in Minneapolis Hon. L. S. Coffin, of Iowa, advised them to urge Congress to take action in the matter of safety appliances.

The five Apache Indians who were tried and convicted at Florence, Ariz., for murder have been sentenced to be hanged. Three were charged with the murder of Diehl two years ago and two with the murder of Jones.

ERNEST W. POTTS and Pettigrew have been formally declared elected by the South Dakota Legislature.

The people of Indianapolis are refusing to pay for rides on the street cars which have dropped the conductors and put back the old box system.

Two ladies of Frankfort, Ind., were struck by a train at a crossing the other day and fatally injured.

SOCIALISTS decorated the graves of the anarchists in Waldheim cemetery, Chicago, on the 17th.

The Missouri Pacific road announces that it will quote established rates between Chicago and Kansas City in connection with the Illinois Central and Vandalia. This opens another line between Chicago and Kansas City, making eight in all.

Mrs. HIRSH WHITTIER, of the town of Greenbush, Minn., while engaged in fighting a fire to save her home was recently fatally burned. Her husband was some distance from her at the time the flames overtook her. He was also engaged in fighting the fire.

The Rock Island is open for business to Kingfisher, Ok. The following are intermediate stations: Wankam, Hennessey and Mandan.

A woman winding up the Washburn receivership of General John McNeill entered by consent of all creditors and other interested parties by Judge Grosvenor at Chicago on the 18th.

The Western whisky trust is said to be scheming to break up the outside distillers. Half a million dollars will be spent if necessary.

The inquiry at the Jefferson barracks, St. Louis, has ended. The depositions make 300 pages.

A tremendous fire was reported raging a few miles from Birmingham, N. C., on the 18th. The village of Monckin was entirely swept away.

JOSEPH PAUL, a Chicago boy, met an awful death recently. He was caught under an immense flywheel and the belt.

THE SOUTH. General H. L. CLARK, president of the University of Alabama, died at Tuscaloosa recently. He served with distinction in the Confederate army during the late war.

ROBERT BREWER, who shot and killed his wife at Lexington, N. C., was captured and lynched by the old lady's friends.

At Dothan, Ala., recently, a riot occurred between Alliance men and townsmen which resulted in the death of two city marshals and the serious wounding of five other Alliance and townsmen. The trouble grew out of the taxation of Alliance property.

The Farmers' Alliance of Georgia has decided to build a huge warehouse at Atlanta to handle the products of the farmers of the State.

EX-GOVERNOR E. A. FERRY, of Florida, died recently in Texas.

LESSING, SOLOMON & ROBERTSON, a large dry goods firm of Waco, Texas, have assigned. Notes and accounts to the amount of \$450,000 have been turned over to a trustee.

Three trainmen were killed, two being roasted to death, by an accident recently on the Texas & Pacific, fifty miles east of El Paso.

HENRY WIGFALL, a barber of Atlanta, Ga., swallowed a fish bone recently and died soon after in great agony from strangulation.

A recent Democratic political meeting in Richmond, Va., the principal speakers, ex-Senator Riddleberger and ex-Governor Cameron, were intoxicated and failed in their attempts to speak. The audience hissed them and the meeting had to be adjourned.

The North Alabama Lumber Company at Bridgeport, Ala., has made an assignment. Liabilities, \$120,000; assets, \$140,000.

GENERAL.

The rowing match between Matterson and Baber on the Thames, Putney to Chelsea, London, was won by Matterson. The stakes were \$500.

SIR DANIEL GOUGH, the noted British civil engineer, died in London recently aged seventy-four.

The new British Minister, accompanied by his family, arrived at Washington on the 15th.

SIR WILLIAM MACGREGOR, Administrator of New Guinea, with a party of twenty-two men, was attacked by natives on the island of Demarara. The natives were repulsed, leaving eleven killed and wounded. Several of the whites were wounded.

H. S. WICKER has resigned the position of general traffic manager of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad.

Amos J. Cummings, an anarchist, has been ordered to leave Switzerland. The Russian warship Nisard-ed-Shah has been sunk at Batoum and all her crew perished.

MUCH criticism has been expressed at the sale of Millet's picture, "L'Angela," free of duty.

LORD FITZGERALD is dead.

WILFRED BLUNT, well known in the English Parliament, has retired from politics.

During a storm in the Cuttyhunk harbor Captain John Flinders, Arthur Borden and Samuel Peckham, of New Bedford, Mass., of the fishing schooner Quilp, attempted to reach shore. The boat was capsized and all were drowned.

In the railway station at Brussels, Belgium, the morning of the 15th, a passenger train dashed into buffers at full speed, wrecking several carriages and injuring thirty persons.

The Long Hol or Red river of China has been opened to commerce.

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THE COMING CONGRESS.

The Tariff, Civil Service, Trusts and Base Questions Will Occupy the Approaching Session.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—As members-elect to the Fifty-first Congress reach the city gossip respecting the organization of the new House of Representatives naturally increases. The consensus of opinion among members-elect now here indicates that the Speaker will go either to Maine, Mr. Reed, or Ohio, Mr. McKinley.

MEARS, Burrows, of Michigan, and Cannon, of Illinois, are both on the ground, however, and it is said will at least make the contest interesting before balloting for this time would be a very difficult undertaking to pick out the stronger candidate.

Major John Carson, of the Philadelphia Ledger, appears to have already captured the clerkship of the next House of Representatives. The tariff, trusts, working all summer, and it is claimed by his friends that he has pledged sufficient to elect on the first ballot.

Colonel Swords appears to have no rival for the position of sergeant-at-arms, while there are several candidates for the office of doorkeeper and postmaster.

There are not many Senators and Representatives in Washington now, but most of those here expect a very interesting and busy session of Congress during the coming winter. The tariff, trusts, Civil Service law, the Interstate Commerce law, the educational question, a National election law and subsidies will be among the subjects that will engage the attention of Congress. What are regarded as the smaller questions of the day for the most part will be presented as party measures and are likely to render the coming session a very important one.

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A CONSTRUCTION train on the Conference and Oakland branch of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad was wrecked near Pittsburg, Pa., recently. Two men were killed and a large number badly injured.

A new lot of territory has been developed at Manassas, Va. The well is doing sixty barrels an hour. The well is owned by the Standard Oil Company.

BABBITT, the millionaire soap maker, died at New York on the 20th, aged eighty. The Russian revenue last year was \$4,000,000,000 more than the expenditure.

A kilo of powder exploded at Bryant switch in the Chicago & North Western, in a coal pit recently. Sixteen men were in the mine at the time, four of whom were fatally burned.

A row caused a wreck on the North-Western, a forty-seven mile train from Portland, Ore., recently. The train was fatally injured; the engineer, H. Jones, seriously.

COURT OKUMA, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Japan, was slightly wounded the other day by an assassin. The assassin was a Japanese.

THE ARIZONA REGIONS.

How Thirty Kansas Lands May Be Made Valuable and Productive By a Proper System of Irrigation.

The editor of the Garden City Sentinel in recent article on irrigation in Southwest Kansas reaches the following conclusions:

The factor which furnishes all that the rest lack in effecting a solution of the question of a water supply is to be found in the underground or "subterranean" water.

We have shown before, that in the Arkansas valley, from 20 to 300 feet and more in depth, from 10 to 20 miles and more in width, is an average of but three feet below the surface in the immediate river bottom. It is a vast body of water flowing slowly eastward, being apparently sufficient in quantity to irrigate all the irrigable land for a distance of many miles on each side of the river. Owing to the rapid fall of the entire valley to the eastward, the water is constantly running to the surface in the valley. It is an easy matter to penetrate this underflow and run the water out upon the surface of the ground.

The cost of obtaining water by this means is thoroughly irrefragable. Large crops of country would seem, from data thus obtained, to be so light as to be exceedingly profitable.

It has been demonstrated, and is conceded by the best authorities, that the large volume of irrigated lands in the West, the more so if it had been satisfactorily demonstrated that these areas are not known or entitled to be known commercially as areas of water. It not having been so demonstrated, it is therefore the fact that since the original decision of 1880 on this subject Congress has re-enacted the pre-existing provisions of the tariff with regard to lead ores and silver ores respectively. I do not feel at liberty to add the existing classification. It must be assumed that the rulings and practice of the department were known to Congress when it passed the tariff act of 1883.

"It must be held that the designation of lead ore and silver ore in the tariff in the absence of legislative definition, and in the face of existing decisions that Congress intended the classification should turn on the question of value and not of quantity. It is therefore considered that this department is without authority to change the classification of these ores, and in fact of which large business interests have been established."

"That Congress did not intend to impose duty upon the lead which might be found in the different ores, but only upon such ores as were then recognized under the decisions of the department as lead ores, is gathered from the other parts of the tariff acts, for in paragraph 186 'copper' is made dutiable whenever found in ore, and in paragraph 187 'iron' is made dutiable whenever found in ore or other crude forms. In those cases it is clearly the metal contained in the ore which is made subject to duty, and had the same form of expression been used in reference to lead ores, the result would have been the same as in the case of copper and iron ores."

"According to well settled rules of statutory construction this difference in the form of expression must be deemed to indicate a difference in the properties of the ores, and to limit the authority of the department to impose duty in such cases to the ore itself under existing rules of classification. I consider, therefore, that the present classification has attained the force of Congressional enactment, and that a change, if desired, must be sought in Congressional intervention. If, however, ores of this description are imported, which are distinctly known as lead ores in the legal and commercial sense, they would be dutiable. It is deemed advisable in this connection to enjoin upon customs officers a strict enforcement of the regulations of this department intended to correct abuses formerly existing in the methods of entry, classifying and classifying ores of the character mentioned."

Not only would National assistance improve the speedy and systematic development of the whole, but it would justify a proper regulation of the cost of water to the consumers.

It would not be necessary that the entire development should take place in a year or two, even if such a thing were possible, but as much would be accomplished by the first, that any part, whenever constructed, would be in harmony with the land whole, and the waste of time, energy and money be reduced to the minimum.

If we need irrigation, and this is any other plan will secure it, it is high time that the people of the Southwest should be stirring themselves. We only speak the words of truth mildly when we say that all Southwest Kansas and Southeast Colorado will need irrigation very much next year, and each year thereafter.

These lands have yielded the Government millions of dollars. The East has received liberally from the paternal store and we are but demanding what is just when we say: "Devote to our needs the little that will be necessary to make our region habitable—especially what it will add to the wealth of the Nation a hundred fold."

Millions of private capital are ready to take up the work and carry it on to a most glorious success whenever the Government shall open the way, and now is a better time than any number of years hence.

Important Utery Verdict.

TOPEKA, Kan., Oct. 19.—The last Kansas Legislature passed a bill regulating rates of interest and punishing any one who took usury. It provides that if excessive interest or usury is charged that the lender is liable to loss of both principal and interest, and to be imprisoned either.

The first case of the kind was decided in the district court of this city yesterday. Many years ago David Hutchinson borrowed \$4,000 of H. D. Booge, a money lender, who was secured by a real estate mortgage of \$15,000 with excessive rates of interest. Hutchinson died and Booge sold the notes and mortgage to Hubbell, of Des Moines, Iowa, who brought suit for foreclosure against Hutchinson's heirs some months ago. The Northern bank in Topeka, the executor of the note and interest was acknowledged, but the jury rendered a verdict for defendants, not giving Hubbell anything. They completely wiped out even the debt of \$4,000 acknowledged and the interest.